## BEFORE

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 93-787-G - ORDER NO. 95-613 $\sqrt{}$  MARCH 15, 1995

IN RE: Application of Piedmont Natural Gas ) ORDER Company for Approval of an Integrated ) GRANTING Resource Plan. ) EXTENSION OF ) TIME

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the March 3, 1995 request of Piedmont Natural Gas Company (Piedmont) for an extension of time in which to file its Short-Term Action Plan (STAP).

On January 26, 1993, the Commission issued Order No. 93-145 in Docket No. 91-677-G, which required Piedmont to file an Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) with the Commission. The Plan was filed on December 28, 1993. On January 27, 1995, the Commission issued Order No. 95-154, finding that Piedmont's IRP filing was consistent with the Commission's procedure.

In order to comply with the IRP filing and reporting procedures as set forth in Appendix A of Order No. 93-145, Piedmont is required to file a STAP with the Commission in each of the intervening two years between the filing of the fifteen year Plans. Each STAP is to be filed twelve months after the IRP's anniversary filing date, according to the Commission's procedure. Therefore, Piedmont's STAP ordinarily would have been due January

1, 1995. Piedmont states that since the Commission had not yet ruled on Piedmont's IRP as of January 1, 1995, Piedmont was unable to file its STAP. Piedmont states that the Commission's Order approving Piedmont's IRP was not issued until January 27, 1995. Because of these circumstances, Piedmont requests that it be granted until July 1, 1995 to file its STAP. Piedmont states that it is in the process of beginning to implement its IRP, and that Piedmont was not in a position to develop implementation Plans for its Demand-Side Programs contained its IRP until approval of its Plan had been secured from the Commission.

Piedmont therefore asks for an extension of time until July 1, 1995 to file the required STAP.

The Commission has examined this matter and believes that Piedmont has stated good cause for the extension as requested. The Commission therefore grants same.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. shall be given an extension of time until July 1, 1995 to file its Short-Term Action Plan.

2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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ATTEST:

Executive Director

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